REMARKS

The above amendment and these remarks are responsive to the communication from Examiner Dustin Nguyen dated 13 Jun 2006.

Claims 1-3, 9-15, 17, 20-23, and 26 are in the case, all allowed.

35 U.S.C. 112

Claims 4-8, 16, 18 and 27 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as indefinite.

Applicants cancel these claims without prejudice, and will file a divisional to correct them.

35 U.S.C. 101

Claim 25 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 as S/N 09/965,075 END920010023US1 18

directed to non-statutory subject matter.

Applicants cancel this claim without prejudice, and will prosecute it in the divisional.

35 U.S.C. 102

Claims 19, 24, and 25 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) over Kroll et al. [U.S. Patent 5,159,684, hereinafter, Kroll].

Applicants cancel these claims without prejudice, and will prosecute them in the divisional.

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION

Applicants urge that the case be passed to issue with claims 1-3, 9-15, 17, 20-23, and 26, all of which have been END920010023US1

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allowed.

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